

NEW

IN 2022!

Isles launched the **Johnson Center for Learning & Impact** to further the reach of our efforts and influence more widespread systems-change. The Johnson Center team is engaged in work designed to:

- Shape public policy through advocacy and strategic partnerships.
- Train the next generation of nonprofit leaders.
- Promote sharing of best practices and collaboration among nonprofit agencies.
- Build Isles' data and research capability.

Trenton Climate Corps provides hands-on training to community members to create pathways to green jobs.

Trenton Community Street Teams is a community-based violence intervention initiative that interrupts the cycle of violence by providing:

- Victim advocacy and support.
- Safe passage around schools.
- Community safety walks to raise awareness and connect people to needed resources.
- Public safety roundtables.

Trenton's first **Re-Engagement Center** works with high school students who have dropped out of school, connecting them with resources to ensure their success.

GOTrenton! is an electric vehicle transportation service that will increase mobility for low-income residents. In 2022, we:

- Secured an easily-accessible, downtown Trenton parking lot headquarters.
- Designed layouts for multiple, publicly available EV charging centers.
- Hired an operator for EV fleet service starting in 2023.

ABOUT US

Founded in 1981, Isles Inc. is a community development and environmental organization based in Trenton, New Jersey. With a mission to foster self-reliant families and healthy, sustainable communities, we design and develop effective services that support this mission and share what we learn with others who can make a difference.



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Self-Reliant Communities

2022
HIGHLIGHTS

LIVE GREEN & HEALTHY



Urban Agriculture

Continuing our longstanding support of 75+ community and school gardens across the city and region, in 2022, we:

- Worked with more than 200 gardeners.
- Donated more than 500 pounds of produce.
- Offered a series of cooking demos and food-themed “Dinner and a Movie” events.
- Designed new garden entrepreneurship training for 2023 season!

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Lead Hazard Control, Energy Efficiency, and Healthy Homes

We provide home health assessments and retrofits to improve energy efficiency, remove lead-based paint hazards and improve indoor health and safety. In 2022, we:

- Conducted 221 lead and healthy homes assessments.
- Made 43 homes lead-safe.
- Improved heating systems and energy efficiency in more than 130 homes.

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BUILD WEALTH



Housing and Financial Services (HFS)

HFS empowers people to make informed financial decisions, prepares them to purchase a home and helps them stay in that home. This year:

- We served 330 first-time homebuyers and foreclosure prevention counseling customers.
- 93 customers earned housing certificates to qualify for financial assistance.
- 34 customers purchased a first home.
- 319 people participated in financial counseling services.

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After one full year of operation The Social Profit Center at Mill One is now 95% occupied. We welcomed 3 new tenants including Arm in Arm and NJ Council of County Colleges.

REVITALIZE COMMUNITIES



Community Planning and Development (CPD)

CPD supports the advancement of neighborhoods across Trenton. In 2022, Isles partnered with the City and downtown business owners on the Neighborhood Preservation Program which:

- Provided new signage and enhanced safety measures at 8 small businesses downtown.
- Improved facades and lighting at homes in the neighborhood.

<https://www.restoringtrenton.org/npp>

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TRAIN & EDUCATE



Isles Youth Institute (IYI) & Youth Services

Isles continues to provide education, job training, and personal development opportunities. In 2022:

- We trained more than 50 youth in construction, CPR/First Aid, OSHA, and more.
- 13 IYI students graduated with high school diplomas.
- Youth helped create “Increase the Peace” murals on three prominent buildings, promoting a city-wide public safety initiative.

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Center for Energy and Environmental Training (CEET)

CEET is a job training facility, targeting careers in energy efficiency and environmental health. In 2022, we:

- Trained 186 unemployed and underemployed workers in nationally certified lead and energy efficient credentials.
- Provided support services to new workers to help them get and keep good paying jobs.

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